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PREFACE.

In drawing up the following index to the first 20 volumes of the *Journal of the Institute of Actuaries and Assurance Magazine*, I have adopted the plan which my experience has led me to believe would be most useful to persons who wish to refer to any particular paper, or to ascertain what has been written upon any subject which they are at the time studying. With this view, I have laid down the general rule that every paper is to be indexed at least twice,—(1) under the author's name, and (2) under the subject.

Under the author's name are arranged in order of date all the communications from him, whether long or short, whether they appeared in the form of a paper, a short note, or a letter to the Editor; and in each case the exact title adopted by the author is given, some explanation being occasionally added when this seemed desirable, in order to indicate more clearly the nature of the subject dealt with in the communication. At the end of these communications are arranged any other entries that it appeared desirable to make under the author's name, such, for instance, as translations by him of foreign articles, reviews of works written by him, and, in the case of the two Editors, editorial remarks.

It has been a much more troublesome matter to arrange the articles according to the nature of the subject; and in doing this I have had to be guided principally by my own judgment, and to a comparatively small extent by the wording of the title of the paper. For instance, the numerous papers upon the subject of the graduation of life tables are arranged under the heading of "Graduation", although in the titles of some of them that word does not appear, the process being

called "Adjustment". Under the heading "Adjustment of Tables", I have given a cross reference to "Graduation". In cases of this kind, where references to many papers are collected under one heading, I have contented myself with giving the author's name and the volume and page of his article, leaving the reader to refer to the author's name in the index if he wishes for further particulars.

In many cases, references to a particular paper have been given under two or three different headings descriptive of the subject.

In addition to references of the kind just named, I have endeavoured to give under each paper references to subsequent papers by different authors in which the paper is mentioned or discussed. Although a great deal of time and trouble has been bestowed upon this part of the work, I can scarcely hope that it has been done with any approach to completeness; but I hope that what has been done will be found to be of material assistance to students and others consulting the index.

It may now be useful to mention some of the headings in the index under which the entries are most numerous.

Bonus (or Investigation) Reports. Under this heading are placed the names of all the companies whose bonus or investigation reports have appeared in the *Journal* since 1867, when the plan was adopted of systematically printing these reports under the title of "Home and Foreign Intelligence". As I stated in the *Journal* (October 1867), I believe that such reports have for various reasons a permanent interest attaching to them; but since the Life Assurance Companies Act, 1870, has made it compulsory on all the life offices in the country to publish full particulars regarding their valuations and distributions of profits, which particulars are annually published by the Board of Trade in the form of a Blue-book, it has seemed undesirable to continue the practice of reprinting all such reports of British companies in the *Journal;* and, during recent years, only a few of more than usual interest have been reprinted, more particularly such as contained information not given in the Blue-books. I have, however, printed a considerable number of bonus reports of Australian offices, which are not so readily accessible as those of

British companies. The names of the companies in the index are arranged alphabetically under the above-mentioned heading, and I have considered it unnecessary to insert the name of the company a second time in its alphabetical place in the index.

CORRESPONDENCE *(anonymous)*. Only those letters appear here to which the author's name was not appended. All letters which were signed by the author, have been entered, like other communications, under his name.

DISCUSSIONS. Under this heading are given references to the abridged reports of the discussions at the Meetings of the *Institute*, which have appeared in the *Journal* since 1869, and for which, as is well known, we are indebted to the public spirit of the proprietors of the *Insurance Record*. The full reports of the discussions given in that paper were, as they appeared, carefully revised and condensed, the persons who took part in the discussion being sometimes referred to for assistance when this was thought desirable; and although this involved a considerable expenditure of time and labour on the part of myself and the gentlemen who kindly assisted me, I believe that the time and labour were well bestowed, as the reports of the discussions have been found very useful for reference, and are generally appreciated by students of the *Journal*. The various discussions are arranged in the alphabetical order of the names of the authors whose papers were discussed.

FIRE INSURANCE. Here are inserted references to all the communications on the subject that have appeared in the *Journal*. A similar course has been followed as regards MARINE INSURANCE; but not with the corresponding heading LIFE INSURANCE, because the greatest part of the *Journal* is occupied with this subject. Instead of this, I have given the headings, ANNUITIES, ANNUITY- (*certain, continuous, increasing*, &c., &c.), ASSURANCE, PREMIUMS, VALUES OF POLICIES, and others of a like kind.

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE. Under this general heading are entered all the numerous articles as to Fire and Life Insurance business in foreign countries, with the exception of the reports of companies, which are put under the general heading REPORTS OF COMPANIES—FOREIGN. The entries are divided under the sub-headings, *Life*

Insurance, Fire Insurance, Marine Insurance, Miscellaneous Branches of Insurance, General Articles; and again, under each of these, according to the names of the country to which they relate, *Austria, Belgium, France,* &c.

MORTALITY. The various articles relating to this subject have been arranged under the headings (1) *Mortality Experience of various Offices* (the names of Offices being placed alphabetically); (2) *Mortality, General Remarks;* (3) *Mortality Observations,* (being observations as to the rate of mortality in different countries and among different classes of persons); (4) *Mortality Tables, Construction of.*

ORIGINAL TABLES. A great number of original tables have been at various times contributed to the *Journal;* and as the use of these will be much facilitated by having a complete list of them in a convenient form, I have bestowed much pains in the description of them under the above general heading. I first give an alphabetical list of the names of the persons whose tables are printed in the *Journal,* with a reference to the volume and page. I then, in a second division, give an alphabetical list of the subjects to which the tables relate, adding the author's name and the volume and page. In a third division, arranged in chronological order, I have given, besides the author's name, a full description of each table, containing such particulars as I thought likely to be of service to persons using the index.

REPORTS OF COMPANIES. In the early volumes of the *Journal* it was usual to give summaries of the annual reports of Insurance Offices, both British and Foreign. References to all these summaries are entered under the above general heading with the three sub-headings—*British—Colonial and Indian—Foreign,* the last being subdivided under the names of the various countries. In each section the names of the companies are arranged alphabetically. As in the case of Bonus Reports, I have considered it unnecessary to enter the names of the companies again in their alphabetical place in the index.

REVIEWS. Under this heading are arranged in alphabetical order the names of all the authors whose works have been reviewed in the *Journal,* each being followed by the title of the book.

The task of preparing the index has been extremely laborious; but I undertook it and persevered with it in spite of many hindrances which have greatly delayed the completion of the work, because I believed that it was very important it should be done by a person familiar with the subject, and that the value of the work to the profession and the student, would be thereby greatly increased. I trust that this opinion will be shared and confirmed by those who shall hereafter have occasion to consult the index; and if so, I shall feel well rewarded for the labour and time the preparation of it has cost me.

T. B. SPRAGUE.

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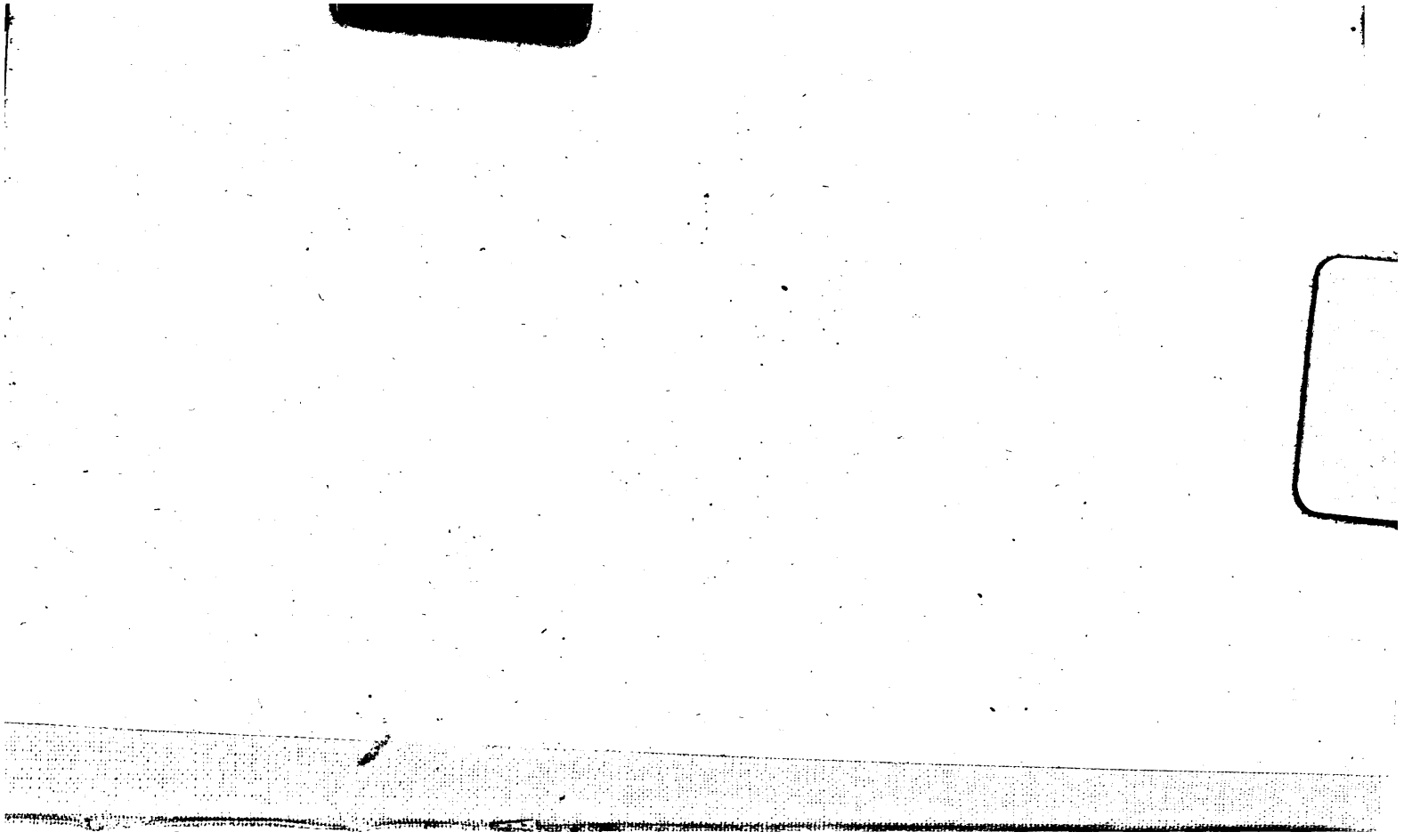
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